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NEWRY COUPLE HAS 50th ANNIVERSARY

A grand old couple, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett of North Newry, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Monday, Nov. 24, from 10:30 to 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett were married Nov. 24, 1891, by the Rev. Alphonso Bryant at the Newry parsonage. "Little old Frank" as he is often called, was born and has always lived on the home place, Mrs. Bennett, "Amy," has lived in Newry 54 years and is called "The Mother of Bear River."

There are angels in Heaven we know
And Angels of Mercy on earth below.

In times of illness, death and distress Amy always has given her strength, always willing to do her best.

The folks of Bear River extend their best wishes and feel better for knowing them. They received many cards, letters, fruitcakes and a good purse of money. Their friends and neighbors wish them all the good luck in the world.

I'd much rather live to celebrate my golden wedding anniversary with my first wife and a dozen grandchildren than be a victorious general and march through a triumphal arch. . . . Those golden wedding couples—they're the real victors.

Friends calling through the day and evening were:

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Flint, Mrs. H. F. Thurston, Miss Carrie Wight, Mrs. Sadie Allen, Mrs. Eva Chapman, Mrs. Scarborough, Bethel, Mrs. H. H. Hanscom, Ray Hanscom, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wight, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wight, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kilgore, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Vall, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Morton, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Vall, Mrs. Alice Tripp, Miss Dorothy Tripp, Miss Leona Tripp, Roy Tripp, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bennett, Miss Amy Bennett, Richard Bennett, Elden Bennett, Kenneth Vall, Mrs. Emery Vall, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bean, Newry; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Turbide, Master Morris Turbide, Frank Thomas, Rumford; Mrs. William Spinney, Boston, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett wish to thank their friends and neighbors for their kindness in remembering them.

Local Volunteer Defense Workers Still Needed

A local Volunteer Office has been established at the store of D. Grover Brooks with Mrs. Alice J. Brooks as Chairman of the Volunteer Placement Bureau. Registration cards for both men and women are with Mrs. Brooks and every man and woman are urged to register for some part in the Defense Program.

Very few have responded to the call for volunteers and it is hoped that a large number will register soon so that Bethel may make a good showing. It should be understood that all action in this movement is purely voluntary. All who are not already engaged in some of the Civil Defense work should take time to look over the registration card and decide what they are best fitted for in an emergency.

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Christmas Seals, to Help Prevent Tuberculosis. Now on Sale

During this week the 1941 Christmas Seals will go on sale throughout the State and Nation. Maine citizens are particularly interested in the Campaign because for many years the money derived from the Seals has been used for Tuberculosis prevention. Although it is now definitely known that Tuberculosis is a preventable disease, more than 200 Maine inhabitants—most of them young people—died from the disease last year. This definitely shows that more educational work is needed, and that preventive measures be stressed in all localities. The Christmas Seals finance this program, and it is essential to the health of the people that more extensive and intensive work be done in order to prevent and control the disease.

Citizens all over the state are urged to buy as generously as possible and thus aid in assisting in the National Defense Program which places good health as the first requisite.

Protect Your Home from Tuberculosis
The ceremony was performed in the Athanasius Church, Rev. Fr. Obolus officiating. Only personal friends and relatives were present. The bride wore a gown of white satin and carried a corsage of calla lilies. Her maid of honor, Miss Rose Buccina, wore a gown of light blue taffeta and carried a corsage of pink carnations. The best man was Frank Pulla of Bath, a cousin of the groom. Following the ceremony a bridal breakfast was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pulla.

Mrs. Pulla graduated from Gould Academy in 1939 and for the past year has been employed with the McWilliams of Lewiston.

Mr. Pulla is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pulla of Rumford and a graduate of Stephens High, 1938. He is now employed at the Oxford mill. The couple will reside in Rumford.

Those attending the wedding from Bethel were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dexter, Mrs. Parker Conner, Mrs. Stephen Sclaraffa, Miss Francine Warren and Miss Dorothy Fish.

Yarn headquarters will be at Allen's store, with Mrs. Ray York, knitting chairman, and Mrs. Palmer, co-chairman. If yarn is wanted people must notify either Mrs. York or Mrs. Palmer. Two large boxes of socks have already been sent. Special mention is given Mrs. Richard Leighton for knitting 21 pairs of socks for this cause.

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Dick Young's MAIN STREET Station

24 Gould Men Out for Basketball—12 Game Schedule Announced

Basketball practice started in earnest this week with Coaches Anderson and Bowhay working daily with a squad of 24 men. Many of the candidates are Freshmen and Sophomores who will be carried on the squad in an effort to develop material for the coming years.

From last year's squad only two letter men are back. Bill Robertson and Nick Amato both played consistently last year and although they are small will be valuable men this year. Two new men with some experience are Richmond and Wing, the former a big man and he should be a real help under the basket. Others who will make a strong bid for the team are Berry, a Sophomore, Townsend, Wright, St. Thomas, Coolidge and Grover.

The squad hopes to begin regular practice on its new 85 by 50 floor the first part of next week. The court is equipped with the new fan shaped backboards and an excellent electric score board is also a new attraction.

At this early date prospects do not look too bright but many of the inexperienced boys handle themselves well and should develop as the season goes along.

Schedule
Fri., Dec. 12 Alumni at Bethel
Fri., Dec. 19, at Norway
Fri., Jan. 9, Alumni at Bethel
Tues., Jan. 13, Gorham, N. H., here
Fri., Jan. 16, Oxford at Bethel
Wed., Jan. 21, at South Paris
Fri., Jan. 23, Norway at Bethel
Fri., Jan. 30, at Fryeburg
Wed., Feb. 4, S. Paris at Bethel
Fri., Feb. 6, at Old Orchard
Fri., Feb. 13, Fryeburg at Bethel
Fri., Feb. 20, at Oxford
Western Maine Conference Games

BRITISH WAR RELIEF TO CARD PARTIES

A meeting of the local British War Relief unit was held Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ralph Young. Plans were discussed for raising funds and it was decided to hold a telephone whist and contract bridge Tuesday evening. Mrs. Dana Philbrook chairman of Bundles for Britain, announced that barrels will be placed in town for donations.

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E. D. Brown, Native of Newry, Now Secretary Puerto Rico Government

Everett D. Brown was named to the office of executive secretary of the Insular Government of Puerto Rico Nov. 18 by Governor Rexford G. Tugwell. He has served as assistant executive secretary since 1937.

Mr. Brown was born at Sunday River, Newry, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Brown. He graduated from Gould Academy in 1902, and the University of Maine in 1916, where he was a member of the Theta Chi fraternity.

He married Miss Sara Elizabeth True of Norway at Caracas, Venezuela, 1930. He has taught school in San Juan, Ponce and Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, and worked as accountant in Puerto Rico, Santo Domingo and Venezuela.

Three Escape When Car Overturns and Burns

A Buick convertible coupe belonging to Rodney Eames of Hartford, Conn., who was spending the holiday at his home in Bethel, left the road, overturned and burned in Gilead last Thursday afternoon. The accident took place about a mile west of Gilead village at a sharp turn near the railroad track. Mr. Eames, Edward McDonald, and Hugh Brown of Bethel were thrown some distance from the car and suffered minor injuries. The car was traveling toward Bethel.

JUNIOR GUILD ELECTS

The Junior Guild met at the home of Mrs. Omer Drummond Nov. 23 with 14 members present. Mrs. Charles Gorman was elected president and Mrs. Eugene Van was elected vice-president.

The Christmas sale and supper were discussed and committees named to serve with members of the Ladies' Club.

The president appointed the following membership committee: Miss Harrist, Merrill, Miss Ida Packard, Mrs. Minta Williams.

The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Elwood Ireland. The annual Christmas party will be held at this meeting and each member asked to bring a 10 cent gift for the Christmas tree.

The road plows were called out Sunday for the first time after a fall of several inches of snow.

ALBANY BOY DIES AFTER CAR CRASHES

Manville Hatstat died at his home in Albany Friday, where he was taken following an accident early that morning. With Mr. Hatstat when their car left the road on Merrifield Hill, Bryant Pond, and crashed a fence were Morris Churchill and Charles Raimsey, also of Albany, who suffered slight injuries. The car was demolished.

The victim of the accident was born in Bethel, Aug. 24, 1924, the son of Ralph and Blanche Kimball Hatstat, and his life was spent in Bethel and Albany. Besides his parents, he leaves several brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held Monday at Greenleaf's funeral home, Rev. W. I. Bull officiating. Interment was at Norway.

NOTICE

The Bethel Water Company accounts are past due. Accounts which are not settled or arrangements made to take care of the same by December 31, 1941 will be closed January 1, 1942 and the water shut off.

There is a charge of \$1.00 to reconnect the service.

Per order
The Directors.

BANKRUPT AUCTION

Joseph R. Gillis' Bankruptcy Auction
AT THE GILLIS STORE
GILEAD, ME.
WED., DEC. 3
at 10 o'clock A. M.

STOCK IN TRADE
Consisting of groceries, hardware, clothing and general merchandise of all kinds, which includes a large amount of soaps, bottled sodas, flashlights, cereals, watches, leather gloves, axe handles, brooms, packets, confectioneries, window glass, straw hats, sewing articles, medicines, stockings, shirts, extracts, cooking spices, 70 lb. Jacob Beans, a large amount of Spaghetti, and Various Store Articles.

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E. Walker Abbott, Trustee



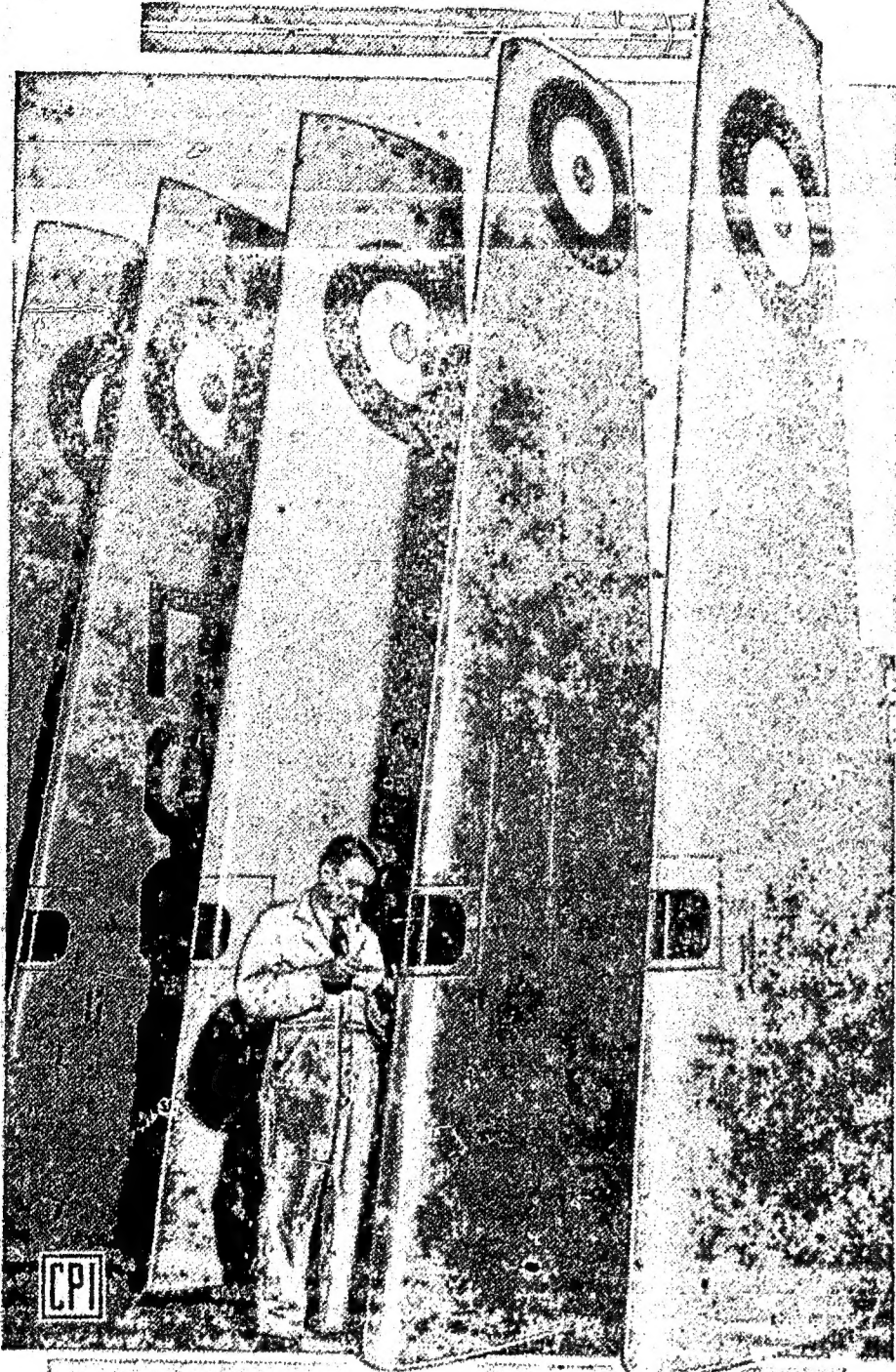
Ma Shannon knows there will never be another Christmas for her in the little mountain farm home. She invites her four children to come home. They all send regrets after her plans for a big Christmas homecoming have been laid.

She sits in silence, two candles burning in the windows—an Irish tradition. Outside a blizzard rages. There's a desperate knock on the door and Ma goes to answer. It's—but that would spoil this story for you. And we don't want to spoil this poignant, heart-stirring tale of Christmas time. We're presenting it to you as a special Christmas feature.

In The CITIZEN

BEGINNING THIS WEEK

WINGS OF YOUTH



Passed by censor

HERE in a Canadian factory, final touches are being given to wings which will be part of the planes in which the youth of the British Empire are learning to fly. Brestest of all flying schools in the world, the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan now has 124 schools and establishments operat-

ing and is producing pilots, observers and ground forces at a rate far exceeding the original schedule. About 600 American pilots are serving as instructors and about 8% of the pupils come from the U. S. A. The cost of the plan in the first three years of its operation will approximate \$824,000,000, of which Canada will supply \$531,000,000.

THE RANGER'S COLUMN

H. C. Waldo
—Androscoggin District Ranger—
White Mountain National Forest—

SUCCESSFUL HUNTERS in the Kilkenny Wildlife Management Area include Captain Gilbert N. Wiggins of Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. Captain Wiggins was one of the first Company Commanders at the old Kilkenny CCC Camp. He writes that the deer caused no little excitement as he passed through the streets of New York City.

FOREST GUARD Curtis Shewmaker of Mackville, Kentucky, took out man on Pine Mountain left for his home by bus Saturday. Shewmaker alone, of several out of state men who passed the Forest Guard Civil Service Examination last winter, journeyed so far to accept employment. The high light of his summer's sojourn in the White Mountains was a trip to Sherbrooke, Quebec. He said he never expected to set foot in Canada and when he finally did and paid for a 10 cent article with a 10 dollar bill

he received 10 dollars and 0 cents in Canadian money of course.

CHRISTMAS SEASON is now fast approaching and the Ranger wishes to caution Christmas tree cutters that cutting of Christmas trees on the National Forest without permission from the Ranger is trespass. All personnel have been instructed to issue "notices to appear" to all persons seen in the act of cutting or possessing trees on the National Forest.

Christmas tree harvesting is a

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Fancy—Rib Cut LAMB CHOPS	lb. 29c	IGA Maine Pack POD RUN PEAS	can 15c
Clover Sliced BACON	lb. 28c	Kellogg's ALL BRAN	1 lb. pkg. 18c
Fresh PIGS LIVERS	lb. 21c	Jay Tea Long Spaghetti or MACARONI	4 7 oz. pkgs. 19c
IGA Evaporated MILK	3 tall cans 25c	IGA Brand SOAP GRAINS	2 lg. pkgs. 37c
Royal Guest TEA	1/2 lb. pkg. 41c	20 Mule Team BORAX	lb. pkg. 15c
IGA Tomato SOUP	3 No. 1 cans 21c	BORAXO	8 oz. can 15c
		CORN STARCH	lb. pkg. 9c
		IGA's Delicious JELL-IT	4 pkgs. 17c

IGA FOOD STORES

legitimate business and provides a source of cash income to countless farmers. To them, the encroachment of softwood upon pasture lands is underisable. Here adequate sunlight develops bushy, beautiful trees for Christmas decoration.

The National Forest is dedicated to tree growing. Cutting of trees in overstocked even-aged stands is beneficial, however these trees do not make desirable Christmas trees because their foliage is thin, due to the lack of sunlight. Such trees are often far from roads and must also be marked before cutting. Free use permits cannot be issued for Christmas trees and the minimum sale of forest products is in the amount of three dollars so it is seen that countless obstacles confront the would be cutters.

ASSISTANT RANGER Howard Bennett will be detailed to Littleton next month to fill in as Acting Ranger of the Ammonoosuc District. Ranger C. L. Kinney will be on leave for the month of December.

SOUTH BETHEL

Marjorie Delano is ill. Joseph Leonard and Floyd Rider and family were guests of his mother, Mabel Rider, on Paris Hill, Thanksgiving.

Alfred Mason has traded cars. Lester Felt and wife and Mary Felt of Woodstock called on her brother, Frank Brooks, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Melville entertained friends and relatives at a party Saturday night. It was given for their children, Charlie and Richard, Gary and Carroll, also their nephew, Kenneth Melville.

They had all kinds of refreshments and everybody had a good time.

Jim Spinney was home from his work over Thanksgiving. There is a lot of deer hunting now but only a few are the lucky one so far.

Mrs. Earl Felt of Norway and Louisa Tibbetts and Blanche Hatfield were callers in this place, Sunday.

Mr. Melville and wife visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rowe at Milan, N. H., over the week end.

Ernest Day was in this place selling meat, Wednesday.

HANOVER

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Barker motored to Portland Thanksgiving Day and enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner at the Columbia Hotel, where they entertained their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Sanford, of Brighton, Mass. Mrs. Barker returned home with them for several days.

Mrs. Alice Staples entertained her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Staples, of Rumford.

Miss Barbara Penley spent Thanksgiving and the week end with her mother, Mrs. John Scott. Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Saunders had

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as Thanksgiving guests Mrs. Genie Daly of Portland, Wallace Saunders of Houlton and Mr. and Mrs. Addison Saunders and sons, Addison and Richard, of Bethel.

Several families throughout the town will observe Thanksgiving on this Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. U. Worcester had as guests Thanksgiving Day, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Worcester.

Charles Poore was a guest Thanksgiving Day at Andover.

Mrs. Lydia Bosworth was entertained at Rumford.

Mrs. Addie Saunders, G. J. inspected Progressive Temple at Mechanic Falls, Tuesday evening. Mrs. Lydia Bosworth and Mrs. Emily Dickson accompanied her.

Clement Worcester shot a deer recently.

Chas. Sweatt of South Paris is a guest at A. L. Lapham's.

Mrs. Ebba Dyke has returned home after spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Blake, at East Bethel.

Several attended the Ladies Aid supper and sale at Rumford Point, Monday evening.

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<input type="checkbox"/> American Poultry Journal	2.15	<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Screen	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Breeder's Gazette	2.15	<input type="checkbox"/> Sports Afield	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Capper's Farmer	2.25	<input type="checkbox"/> Open Road (Boys)	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Child Life	3.50	<input type="checkbox"/> (12 Issues)	14 Mo.
<input type="checkbox"/> Christian Herald	3.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Science & Discovery	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Click	2.50	<input type="checkbox"/> Flower Grower	6 Mo.
<input type="checkbox"/> Collier's Weekly	3.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> Country Digest	3.25		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fact Digest	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Farm Journal & Farmer's Wife	2.15		
<input type="checkbox"/> Flower Grower	3.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> Household Magazine	2.25		
<input type="checkbox"/> Hunting and Fishing	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Liberty (Weekly)	3.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> Look (Bi-Weekly)	3.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> Magazine Digest	3.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Modern Romances	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Modern Screen	2.50		
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<input type="checkbox"/> Official Detective Stories	3.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> Open Road (Boys)	1 Yr.		
<input type="checkbox"/> (12 Iss. in 14 Mos.)	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Outdoors (12 Iss. 14 Mos.)	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Parents' Magazine	5.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> Pathfinder (Weekly)	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Physical Culture	3.25		
<input type="checkbox"/> Popular Mechanics	3.25		
<input type="checkbox"/> Redbook Magazine	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Science & Discovery	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Screen Guide	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Screenland	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Screen	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Sports Afield	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Successful Farming	2.25		
<input type="checkbox"/> True Confessions	2.50		
<input type="checkbox"/> True Story	2.75		
<input type="checkbox"/> World Digest	3.00		
<input type="checkbox"/> You (Bi-Monthly)	3.25		
<input type="checkbox"/> Your Life	3.00		

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<input type="checkbox"/> American Girl	8 Mo.
<input type="checkbox"/> Parents' Magazine	6 Mo.
<input type="checkbox"/> Christian Herald	6 Mo.
<input type="checkbox"/> Outdoors (12 Iss.)	14 Mo.
<input type="checkbox"/> Pathfinder (Weekly)	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> True Confessions	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Modern Romances	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Modern Screen	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Screen	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Sports Afield	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Open Road (Boys)	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> (12 Issues)	14 Mo.
<input type="checkbox"/> Science & Discovery	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Flower Grower	6 Mo.

GROUP B — SELECT 2 MAGAZINES	
<input type="checkbox"/> Household Magazine	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Pathfinder	20 Issues
<input type="checkbox"/> Hunting & Fishing	6 Mo.
<input type="checkbox"/> Successful Farming	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Amer. Fruit Grower	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Capper's Farmer	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Open Road (Boys)	6 Mo.
<input type="checkbox"/> Nat'l. Livestock Prod.	1 Yr.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Comfort & Needlecraft	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Farm Journal & Farmer's Wife	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Mother's Home Life	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Poultry Tribune	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Amer. Poultry Jnl.	1 Yr.
<input type="checkbox"/> Breeder's Gazette	1 Yr.

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"MAYBE" NEXT CHRISTMAS"

By ANNE MARY LAWLER

When young Dr. Monroe told Ma Shannon she would not live to see another Christmas the old lady got busy and wrote letters to her four children, asking them to come home for Christmas. Then she prepared the little home on the mountainside for the Christmas reunion.

But one by one the children sent in their regrets, and Christmas Eve found Ma Shannon a lonely, disappointed mother, meeked by an empty house and a raging blizzard.

There is a knock at the door. Who was it? None of her children, to be sure, but strange happenings crowded swiftly upon that knock.

"Maybe Next Christmas" is full of heart interest. Don't miss it!

IN THIS NEWSPAPER

SKILLINGTON

Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Saunders were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Crockett and daughter, Thelma, of Locke Mills.

Leona Kimball spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Lena Kimball, at Herbert Winslow's.

David Blouin and nephew of Auburn were at Charles Bryant's, Friday.

Isaac Child and Floyd Ridder were at Mr. Child's, daughter's, Mrs. Dorothy Saunders', Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Grindle and Donald Child were at Charles Bryant's, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucian McAllister and son, George, and Betty McAllister spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dodge and family of South Paris.

Elmer Saunders had the good luck to shoot a lovely doe, Saturday.

Everett Marshall shot a nice buck Monday.

Wallace Brown was a dinner guest at Charles Bryant's, Thursday.

MILTON

Mrs. Basha Ackley returned to Fryeburg, Monday, after being at her home for a while.

Mrs. Hattie Ackers was at her home in Andover over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Foster of Rumford Center visited Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Poland.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Millett had as guests Thanksgiving Mr. and Mrs. Roland Lord and Mrs. Alphonse Coffin and children. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Billings and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Miller entertained Mr. and Mrs. Albert McGure and children of Peru.

Mrs. Daisy Buck had as guests Urban and Harland and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Poland and children. Florence Barnum was in Portland for the holiday.

Clark Jackson visited Mr. and Mrs. Philip Clifford, Rumford.

The Milton Boosters 4-H Club, with Werna Poland as leader held their meeting at Fay Billings' home Saturday. Plans were made for their meetings.

MIDDLE INTERVALE

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kimball and son Larry were home over the week-end. They entertained Mr. and Mrs. John Howe and Rodney Howe Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens and Ruth, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Swan and son, Jimmy, and Mr. and Mrs. Carey Stevens took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Stevens Thanksgiving day.

NORTH WOODSTOCK

Hershel Abbott and mother, Mrs. George Abbott, were at Norway, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. James Knights and two children and Richard Lee were at Norway, Saturday. They called to see Mr. and Mrs. Watson Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Langway have moved to Norway. Mr. Langway will work for Fred Whitman in the filling station.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Knights of Provost, N. H., were Sunday guests of C. James Knights and family.

Everett Cole and C. James Knights went Sunday to East B. Hill, Upton, on a hunting trip.

Dannie Brown of Portsmouth, N. H., and Donald Brown called at George Abbott's, recently.

Ernie Robbins worked for Arthur Whitman one last week. Samuel Sweetser spent Friday with his cousins, Christine and Clyde Knights.

Thanksgiving Guests Mr. and Mrs. Durward Lang had as guests his parents and sister from West Paris.

Bernard Cushman and Hershel Abbott of the University of Maine were holiday and week-end guests of their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Durward Lang and son enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner on Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Bryant, at Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Russ were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Lapham at Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cole, son Richard, and Clarence Smith were at Mr. and Mrs. Otis Dudley's.

Mrs. Mary Ann Knights was with her son, C. James Knights and family.

Nelson Cole and children, Joyce and Fred, were with Benjamin Wilson and family, where Mrs. Cole is working.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Buck entertained Mr. and Mrs. Hannu Cushman and two children, Mrs. Hattie Brown and son, Harold.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Davis entertained Wallace Klunkack and friend, Sarah Ryjensky, of Greenwood, Sunday.

GREENWOOD CITY

Thanksgiving guests at Anna Hayes' were Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Whitman of Norway and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hayes of Bryant Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. Galen Curtis, Frank Curtis, and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morgan spent Thanksgiving with Ernest Curtis and family at Mechanic Falls.

Mrs. Roy Millett's mother of Rumford has been visiting her daughter the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cole of Portland spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Yates.

Helen Tamlander of West Paris was at her home here over the holidays.

Recent callers at Roy Millett's were Mr. and Mrs. Montie Millett of Tabbs District. Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Holden and Herman Robinson of Peru.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morgan were callers at Meri Whitman's in Woodstock Sunday.

Fay Morgan visited her aunt, Mrs. Maynard Chase at West Paris Wednesday.

Miss Dorothy Edwards spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens returning to her school in Colebrook, Sunday night.

Mrs. T. F. Vail spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Leona Buck.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parsons and little son spent Sunday at Mrs. Leona Buck's.

Mrs. Ada Balentine has returned home.

Cecil Brown was in South Paris Sunday to call on Jerome Smith, who is staying with his brother there.

Raymond Buck and Cecil Brown were in Norway, Monday.

Mrs. Beale Boule of Portland came Thursday morning to spend Thanksgiving and the week-end with her sister, Molly Stanley, and her father, Ossian Stanley.

Mrs. Leona Buck and son, Everett, were with her son, Ernest Buck, and family, Thanksgiving Day.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1941

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Constant Metella is at the Maine General Hospital in Portland under observation.

Miss Beatrice Stearns spent Thanksgiving day at her home at Northwest Bethel.

Walter Bartlett is among the lucky hunters, shooting a nice deer Thanksgiving day.

Peggy Champain of Boston is visiting at the home of her grandfather, Harry Carter.

Thanksgiving guests of Mrs. Vitella Crosby were Mrs. Addie K. Mason and Charles Tuell.

Miss Orissa Walcott and Miss Alice Chute of Bryant Pond were callers in town, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Littlehale were dinner guests Friday of his mother, Mrs. Ellen Littlehale.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Furbush and family of Portland spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Morrill.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Stevens and son, Jimmy, of Lake Pleasant, Mass., are visiting relatives in town.

Alfred Keene and Will Irish of Buckfield were in town Friday to attend the funeral of Augustus Littlehale.

Richard Whittemore of Hartford, Conn., was a week-end guest at the home of his uncle, Dr. S. S. Greenleaf.

Mrs. Addie Farwell and Mrs. Lena Wight were Thanksgiving guests of C. F. Cummings and family at Hanover.

Mrs. Thomas E. Larue and daughters, Mrs. C. C. Spencer and Mrs. Clarence Powell, were in town the first of the week.

Kenneth and Maurice Brooks, Misses Madelyn Bird and Herbert Norton drove through Dixville Notch Sunday afternoon.

The Swain family at Skillington had 20 Thanksgiving guests to share their huge home-grown turkeys for the holiday dinner.

Mrs. Ardell Hinkley and son, Clifford, have been guests for several days of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. P. J. Clifford, at Randolph.

Mrs. Bessie Martin, who has spent the past year in Chicago, arrived in town the first of the week and is staying at Bethaven Inn.

Miss Barbara Snowman of Caribou, a student at Farmington Normal School, was a week-end guest of her aunt, Mrs. R. R. Tibbels.

Miss Grace Ames of Brooklyn, N. Y., Kimball Ames and Mrs. Ralph Tag of Maplewood, N. J., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Carver several days last week.

Mrs. Norman McKee and daughter, Mrs. Sherman Twitchell, and children, Archie and Larry, of Berlin, N. H., were Thanksgiving Day guests at the home of Edgar Berwick.

Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor, nee Faye Sanborn, of New London, Conn., are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son Thursday, Nov. 20, at the Lawrence Memorial Hospital, New London. The child has been named Kent Gregory.

GIVE HIM A CHANCE



CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

On Thanksgiving Day a well-attended service was held at the Christian Science Society of Bethel. The service was opened with the singing of hymn No. 374, "We Thank Thee and We Bless Thee."

The First Reader then read the Thanksgiving Proclamation issued by Governor Sewall and a Scriptural selection taken from Psalms: "Sing unto the Lord, O ye saints of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness" Psalm 30: 4).

Following this the congregation was requested to join in a few moments of silent prayer, which was immediately followed by the audible repetition of the Lord's Prayer with its spiritual interpretation as given in the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy.

Hymn No. 376, "We Thank Thee Heavenly Father," continued the order of service.

The subject of the Lesson-Sermon was "Thanksgiving," the Golden Text being from Psalms: "Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thou vows unto the most High, and call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me." (Psalms 50: 14, 15).

One of the Scriptural passages contained in the Lesson-Sermon was also from Psalms: "O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endureth forever. Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy." (Psalms 107: 1-2).

Among the correlative passages from the Christian Science textbook was the following: "Millions of unprejudiced minds - simple seekers for Truth, weary wanderers, thirst in the desert - are waiting and watching for rest and drink. Give them a cup of cold water in Christ's name, and never fear the consequences. Those ready for the blessing you impart will give thanks" (page 370: 14-18, 23-24).

The meeting was then open to the members of the congregation to give brief testimonies expressing gratitude for healing, regeneration and spiritual growth as a result of the application of Christian Science.

In closing the congregation joined in singing Hymn No. 30, "Love," by Mary Baker Eddy after which the First Reader read the Scientific Statement of Being from the Christian Science textbook, (page 403) and the correlative Scripture according to I John 3: 1-3. This was followed by the benediction from I Chronicles: "O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever." (I Chronicles 16: 34).

Similar services in observance of Thanksgiving Day were held by The Mother Church, The First

MISS SALLS HONOR GUEST AT VARIETY SHOWER

A variety shower was given to Miss Hazel Salls at the Locke Mills American Legion hall last Wednesday evening. The hostesses were Mrs. Bertha Flanders and Mrs. Dora Ford, who were assisted by Mrs. Norma Tirrell, Misses Jean and Louise Tirrell, Mrs. Ruth Ring and Mrs. Ruth Ford. Members of the Community Club and the church assisted also.

The decorations were in green and white. Refreshments were served, and the bride's cake was made by Mrs. Mabel Kirk.

Those present were: Nellie Lapham, Barbara Swan, Carol Swan, Mason, Barbara Baker, Priscilla Ring, Elvia Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ford, Louise Tirrell, Jean Tirrell, Raymond Swan, Nellie Chase, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bacon, Vance Bacon, Ella Cole, Roy Lurvey, Ruth Ring, Claire Lapham, Lillian Swan, Lella Swan, Beatrice Jordan, Bertha Davis, Betty Davis, Florence Ring, Rowena Dunham, Mabel Dunham, Rose Mason, Dollie Day, Norma Tirrell, Louisa Noyes, Richard Jordan, Fay Kimball, Minnie Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ford, Margaret Rose, Hazel Field, Linwood Rose, Ethlyn Jordan, Nestor Ruokolainen, Reginald Ford, Anne Ring, Rita Salls, Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Ellingwood and Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Cross, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cole, and Bertha Flanders.

Those sending gifts were: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Howe, Mrs. Florence Rand, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Lapham, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lapham, Mr. and Mrs. George Tirrell, Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Lurvey, Hazel Hanscom, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Field, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Bennett, Bernice Jordan, Mrs. Barrows, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bennett, Mrs. Mary Birchstead, Mr. and Mrs. David Boyle, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Lapham, Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Jordan, Eloise and Herbert Dunham, Mary Mills, an employee at Penley's mill at West Paris.

HUNT'S CORNER and Vicinity

Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett and son, Harry, of South Casco were callers at Gordon Bennett's, Sunday.

Fred Scribner and daughter, Beth, of South Paris were callers at Olive Little's, last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bennett of Norway were callers at Gordon Bennett's last Thursday evening.

Elmer Twitchell and family of Oxford were callers at Olive Little's last Saturday morning.

Ernest Stone has been ill the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stearns and Mrs. Lilla Stearns entertained relatives Thanksgiving day.

Church of Christ Scientist, in Boston, Mass., and its branches throughout the United States.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL ELECTION

STATE OF MAINE

County of Oxford, ss.

Town of Bethel

To Walter E. Bartlett -
Constable of the Town of Bethel
You are hereby required in the name of the State of Maine, to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Bethel qualified to vote to assemble at Odson Hall on the second Wednesday of December, the same being the tenth day of said month, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-one at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes upon the following proposed Referendum Question:

Referendum Question

Shall the law enacted by the 1941 Legislature entitled "An Act Imposing an Additional Gasoline Tax" be ratified?

The polls will be open at ten o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at seven o'clock in the afternoon. The election will be in session at Selectmen's Office on Saturday, Dec. 8th, Monday, Dec. 8th, and Tuesday, Dec. 9th, from 1 P. M. to 4 P. M. for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

HEREOF, FAIL NOT and have you there and then this warrant with your doings thereon.

Given under our hands in the Town of Bethel this 25th day of November in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-one.

ERNEST F. BISBEE
JOHN H. HOWE
CARROLL E. ABBOTT
Selectmen of the Town of Bethel
A true copy. Attest:
WALTER E. BARTLETT
Constable.

A. G. LITTLEHALE

Augustus G. Littlehale passed away Tuesday morning, Nov. 18, at he was walking toward his home on Vernon Street. He was born in Newry, Maine, March 26, 1887, the son of Stillman and Lucy Littlehale. The early days of his life were spent in Ketchum during which time he served as postmaster, road commissioner and town clerk.

In 1913 he moved to Bethel and has resided on Vernon Street for the past 28 years, where he has been held in high esteem by all who knew him. His kind disposition and friendly acts to all brought many friends, both young and old. His advice was sought by many and he has always given a helping hand to all. His friendliness and willingness to do little acts of kindness for the children and young folks whom he especially liked, will be remembered and treasured by all. "Gus" as he was called by most, always had a cheery word and his greatest joy was in helping and doing for others.

Funeral services were held on Nov. 21 at Greenleaf's funeral home, Bethel. Interment was at Sunday River Cemetery in Newry. He is survived by Mrs. Jennie M. Littlehale, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Littlehale, Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Littlehale, and Frank L. Littlehale.

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Miss Phyllis Davis spent the week end in Boston.

Mrs. Erwin Hutchinson is working for Mrs. P. H. Chadbourne.

Ralph Grover spent Thanksgiving week-end with his parents in Mason.

Mrs. Sophronia Kenerson returned to her home at Gardiner, Sunday, after spending several weeks with her son, G. N. Sanborn, and family.

Francis D. Mills of Quincy, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mills of South Poland were holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bartlett.

Christmas sale and supper at Garland Chapel, Dec. 4. Gifts, food, candy, aprons, Christmas wreaths, winter gardens and children's gifts will be on sale.

Thanksgiving guests at the home of Fritz Tyler were Mr. and Mrs. George Fuller and Madelyn Brewer of Sabattus and Miss Hannah Harrington of Greenwood.

Several carloads of lime and fertilizer have been received in this region on the Soil Conservation Program. This work is under the direction of Guy Bartlett.



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEWS

JACKSON-SILVER UNIT, No. 68
Friday evening, Nov. 21, the members of both Post and Unit met for their regular meetings. The Legionnaires were glad to welcome back Comrade A. Cummings, U. S. N. R., after a long absence. It was voted to send sick cards to Commander Barrett and Elmer Fiske.

"Tony and Juanita," your radio favorites of WGAN, will be at Town Hall, Locke Mills Saturday evening, Nov. 29, for a two hour jam-boree. All proceeds will go to Rehabilitation Chairman, Idell Morgan, to be used for needy Christmas work. This is a real new show and all members and friends are requested to attend.

The Second District Council meeting is in Dixfield Saturday Nov. 29, at 2 p. m. Vice-President Lora Greenwood presiding.

LOCKE MILLS

James Ring and family went to Portland and spent Thanksgiving with his sister, Mrs. Arthur Packard, and family. Mrs. Ring and Anne visited there for two days. Theodore and Philip Cummings of Hartford, Conn., were at their home for the week-end.

Donald Bennett returned home from a hunting trip to Grafton recently, bringing a large deer which he shot. Others who have shot deer are: Earl Bacon, Lee Swan and David Roberts.

Joseph Stevens of Lake Pleasant, Mass., is spending a week in this vicinity.

Rodney Jordan of Bryant Pond has been visiting with his mother, Mrs. Myra Jordan. Other guests at Mrs. Jordan's were: Russell Ferrill, Mrs. Nathalie Hodgkins, Dale and Frances Hodgkins, all of Middlebury, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. George Flanders visited with his niece, Mrs. Ruth Drown, at Madison over the week-end. They also called on another niece, Mrs. Velma Packard, at Eustis.

Relatives of Leroy Days have received word that he has been sent from Fort Devens to Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swan had for Thanksgiving guests, her mother Mrs. Pratt, and Richard and Alice Pratt of Norway.

Mrs. Gwendolyn Toolan of New York City has been a guest of her father, King Bartlett.

Delwin Long has gone to Hartford, Conn.

The first wedding to be solemnized in the Locke Mills Union Church in 30 years took place Thanksgiving evening, when Miss Hazel Alberta Salls was united in marriage to Reginald William Ford. The ceremony was performed by Rev. James MacKillop of Bryant Pond, with only the immediate families present. The church was illuminated by candles and decorated with baskets of greens and red berries. Miss Salls was a very popular teacher in the grade school at Locke Mills for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gordon and son of South Paris were in town Sunday.

Mrs. Albert Kimball of South Paris spent the week-end with her son, Leland.

Gerry Brooks spent the holiday and week-end with relatives in Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grover have moved to the Spinney homestead at Swan's Corner. They have purchased the place and expect to restore some of its colonial features. The house was built in 1790.

Thanksgiving guests of Mrs. Truie Eames were Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Eames, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Eames of Rumford Center, Miss Bertha Cross of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Crummet of Kennebago, and Charles Cross.

Charles Merrill was in Massachusetts visiting his daughter, Mrs. John Edwards, over the week-end. Mrs. Merrill, who has been convalescing there from an operation at the Simms Hospital, Arlington, Mass., returned home with him.

EAST BETHEL

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Tyler, Lawrence, Richard, Clare and Edith Tyler were Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Bartlett in Lexington, Mass., going Wednesday and returning late Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith and son, Jimmy, of Lovell, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Farwell and son, Porter, of Woodstock were Thanksgiving Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Farwell. Mrs. Smith and Jimmy remained until Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hastings and children, Barbara, Billy and Edward, with G. K. Hastings enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Brooks and Donald in their camp at Upton.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Noyes and daughters entertained Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Haines, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haines and son, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Burton Abbott for Thanksgiving Day dinner.

Nancy Haines was ill with a cold and sore throat all the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Bickford and three children of Lisbon Falls were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hastings from Wednesday to Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Howe dined with Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Kimball and B. W. Kimball in Middlebury, Thanksgiving Day.

Bernard Bartlett was home from U. of M. Orono, over the holiday week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Mellen Kimball spent the holiday week-end in Bath with her sister and husband. Mr. and Mrs. George Lister of Locke Mills dined with Mr. and Mrs. George Irvine, Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bartlett entertained as Thanksgiving Day guests Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bartlett and baby of Rumford, Mr. and Mrs. Loton Hutchinson and son of Bethel, Miss Gertrude Bradeen of Bethel, Rev. Orrin Mansfield of West Bethel and Charles Bartlett of Hanover.

Richard Davis is setting up a saw mill on the land formerly owned by Lamont Cole in back of S. D. Harrington's.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Swan and two children returned to Hartford, Conn., Tuesday, accompanied by Mrs. Ida Blake, who will visit for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Cuvier Hutchinson and daughter, Ava, of Farmington were Thanksgiving Day guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Swan and children were guests of her sister, Mrs. Cuvier Hutchinson, from Thursday until Saturday, in Farmington.

A sewing bee was held at Mrs. John Irvine's Wednesday afternoon when buttonholes were made and the buttons sewed onto the shirts made for the Red Cross by Mrs. Irvine.

Mrs. Ida Blake was honored guest at a card party given by Mrs. Charles Reed, Saturday evening. Three tables of cards were enjoyed. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Swan, Mrs. Leslie Noyes, Victor Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Trask, S. B. Newton, Eugene Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Grover and Carla, Mrs. Ida Blake and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. Mellen Kimball remained in Bath this week as Mr. Kimball is working there as a carpenter.

PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE

A pot-luck supper was enjoyed by the members of the Pleasant Valley Grange of West Bethel at the Grange Hall, Tuesday evening, Nov. 25, at 6:30 o'clock, after which the regular meeting was held with good attendance.

Worthy Master Adrian Grover and wife were chosen to attend Maine State Grange at Lewiston Dec. 1 to 4. It was voted to give use of the hall to the Farm Bureau ladies for meetings when a hall is needed.

The Grange will sponsor a series of card parties in the near future. After the meeting games were enjoyed.

At the next meeting on Dec. 9 there will be a Christmas tree for the grange members—also refreshments.

EAST STONEHAM

Thanksgiving Guests
V. H. Littlefield and Minnie Littlefield entertained Mr. and Mrs. Thaxter Littlefield and three children. Mr. and Mrs. Ervil Curtis and six children, all of East Stoneham, also Mr. and Mrs. Harland Littlefield and two children of Auburn.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barker entertained Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Barker and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Errol J. Barker and three children, also Eleanor Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. John Files entertained Mrs. Josie Taylor of Lovell and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Warren and daughter, Wilma Warren.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Johnson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Files and two children of Auburn were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Files. In the afternoon Richard went and got his deer.

Miss Berry went to her home in Cornish and Miss Gray, who lives in Vinalhaven, met her mother in Portland, and spent the holidays with her there.

Mrs. Blanche McKee was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Bickford.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Dionne entertained friends from Lewiston and Augusta.

Charlotte Leavitt spent the day with Florence Whitman.

Mrs. Georgia McAllister and Mrs. Mabel Simonds were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Rogers at Norway.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Kilgore were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mason Kilgore, of Norway.

Mr. and Mrs. James Merrill and Delwin Merrill were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merrill.

Theodore Brown has bought the Sarah Brown place and will soon move into it.

ALBANY TOWN HOUSE

and vicinity
A. A. Bruce is in Portland visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews and family were at Edwin Morrill's, Bethel, Sunday.

Mrs. Marlon Whitman called at L. J. Andrews', recently.

Flora Brown was a Sunday caller at Nina Felt's.

Stanley Lapham has purchased all the standing timber on the late Frank H. Emery lot, and will start operating at once.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Bumpus and children, Edwin, Ruth and Kenneth, and Wallace Cummings spent Thanksgiving Day at Harry Bumpus', Auburn, and Ruth remained for the rest of the week.

Nina Felt and Joe Hatslett were in Bath one day last week.

Among the lucky hunters the past week were Warren and Stanley Lapham, Ray Andrews and Harlan Bumpus, each getting a big buck deer.

Earl Keniston was a dinner guest at E. C. Lapham's, Sunday.

Ed Emerson his niece, Flora Brown, and son, Alfred, moved back to their trailer Sunday afternoon to work for Stanley Lapham.

Warren Lapham, Frank Madocris and Stanley Lapham have purchased a wood sawing machine from Ed Emerson.

Earl Keniston is staying with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Andrews, while in town hunting. Nina Felt has been spending the week at her camp.

ROWE HILL

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hanscom spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hanscom at North Newry.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Bryant celebrated Thanksgiving Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Ring and family, Sumner; Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Lang and son, Merl, Pinhook; and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hanscom as guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Lamb and family of West Paris spent the holidays at their camp here. The boys got a nice deer, Friday.

Ray Hanscom was the guest of honor at a surprise birthday party Saturday evening. His wife arranged the affair. About 15 were present. Cards and Chinese checkers were enjoyed.

GILEAD

Miss Eleanor Robertson of North Stratford, N. H., is visiting her father, Laurence Robertson.

Miss Arlene Donahue of Gould Academy spent the week-end and holiday at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Fleming of Rumford moved into Russell Cafe's, rent Wednesday.

Mrs. John Lozier and daughter are visiting Mrs. Jos. Smard at Lewiston this week.

Mrs. George Daniels and Mrs. Clifford Cole were in Berlin, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peabody and family and Nathaniel Bartholomae of Boston spent the holiday and weekend at the Peabody homestead.

John Linehan of Lewiston was an overnight guest at E. O. Donahue's, Tuesday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Cook returned to her home in Portland Sunday after spending a few days with her cousin, Mrs. Florence Holden.

Mrs. Ada Cole and Mrs. Mary Cole and son, Daniel, were in Bethel, Tuesday.

Earl Tilley and family have moved to Norway.

Daniel Cook and brother, Jesse, and Philip Atkinson of Portland were visitors in town, Sunday.

William Holbrook of Gardiner and Charles Morse of Portland were visitors in town, Tuesday.

Clayton Bryant was a visitor in Berlin, N. H., Saturday.

Misses Helen Sayer and Beatrice Goud of Plymouth, N. H., were recent guests of friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Holden and family spent Thanksgiving Day with relatives in Portland.

Mrs. Frances Judkins and daughter of Oquossoc were guests two days at her sister's, Mrs. Amedee Fissette's.

UPTON

Mrs. Guy Pratt is caring for her grand niece, little Frances Berquet of Milan N. H., while the child's mother is in the hospital.

The Primary School closed Wednesday night last week for the Thanksgiving recess. The Junior High made up lost time Thursday and Friday.

Kendrick Judkins was home from Gould Academy and the Misses Viola Barnett and Bessie Casey were home from Stephens High for the holiday week-end.

Forty ladies of the Parish met at Upton Church Tuesday evening this week for a Thanksgiving worship service. Lunch was served at the Ladies Aid Building following the business meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Judkins and family of Andover visited his brother, C. A. Judkins, Sunday. Mrs. B. L. Judkins was home from Norway a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. William Barnett entertained a few guests from Rumford besides having their own family all home for Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Ban Barnett entertained all their own family, including the married children away from home and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Abbott of Bangor for Thanksgiving Dinner, Sunday.

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Best Christmas Wishes

Photographic Cards are the most personal form of greeting message. One of your valued snapshots and a simple greeting card kit will enable you to make attractive cards like this.

EVEN though Christmas is still some time away, all camera fans should be thinking about their Christmas cards. Early planning is essential. If only because there are so many ideas from which to choose. Humorous cards, serious cards, big imposing cards, or friendly little ones, and literally dozens of possibilities for each type give you the chance to select the one that fills your requirements.

The best Christmas cards are made from pictures taken especially for the purpose. This holds true whether you create your card "from the ground up"—picture, greeting, and all—or whether you use one of the various types of card mountings and folders that are on the market. The picture should be special—planned for this specific purpose—and it should have some reference to the season.

Some of the most clever and individual cards have the greeting right in the picture. For example, a "Merry Christmas" can be tramped out on a large clear bank of snow. You can letter a large placard, break a hole through the center and let the family's youngest member put his head through—with a big Christmas smile. If your young-

ster is at the age for alphabet blocks, you might set up the blocks to spell out the greeting—and have him sitting beside, with another block in his hand, as if he did it all by himself. Photograph the scene you choose, and there's your Christmas card picture, all ready for use.

Another method is to concentrate your energies on making a good picture, and leave the matter of adding the greeting to your photographer. Simple greeting kits are available if you do your own printing—or you can have the prints made for you.

Your picture should also include one or more members of your family, or your house, or something personal and individual that your friends will recognize. Even if the card includes just a group picture of the family—the most recent that you have made—it would still be a greeting far superior to any conventional card. And, of course, it is a lot more satisfying to send out a clever card that you have created yourself.

Christmas has a way of slipping up on us, so get into action early. Select your idea—a simple one is often the most attractive—and personalize your greeting this year with a photographic card.

John van Guilder

THIS WEEK IN DEFENSE

Summarizing Information on the Important Developments of the Week Made Available by Official Sources

President Roosevelt sent identical letters to UMW President Lewis and to the steel company representatives Benjamin Fairless, Eugene Grace and Frank Purnell stating "work on the captive mines must recommence. The issue in dispute does not justify a stoppage of work in a grave national crisis."

The President asked the four leaders to allow the matters of the closed shop in the captive mines to remain at issue for the period of the national emergency "or to accept final arbitration. He said any agreement reached would have no effect on the UMW's closed shop agreement already in effect with regular commercial mines."

In a message to the U.S. Congress, the President said unless democratic freedoms are protected from the "world scourge" of Hitlerism "free trade unions and all other free institutions will vanish." To protect these freedoms, he wrote, "we must produce guns, tanks, planes and ships without delay and without interruption and the American people and their Government are determined that we shall have them."

Agreement With Mexico
The State Department announced an agreement has been reached with Mexico providing 1 The set-

ting of a final fair price for American petroleum properties taken over in 1933. Mexico to pay \$9,000,000 once as a token payment. 2. Mexico to pay \$40,000,000 in full settlement of general and agrarian claims at a rate of \$2,500,000 annually. 3. A reciprocal trade treaty to be negotiated at once. 4. The United States to provide a \$40,000,000 stabilization fund to maintain the peso at its present rate. 5. The U. S. to purchase up to 6,000,000 ounces of newly mined Mexican silver monthly. 6. The Export-Import Bank to establish credits up to \$30,000,000 to be made available in installments of \$10,000,000 a year to aid Mexico in developing its highways.

Lend-Lease Aid
The Department of Agriculture reported nearly 1,650,000,000 pounds of agricultural commodities costing almost \$200,000,000 were delivered to representatives of the British Government for Lend-Lease shipment from the beginning of operations in April up to October 1. Animal protein products, including cheese, dried milk, evaporated milk, eggs, pork and lard, made up the most important groups of commodities. State Secretary Hull announced a Lend-Lease agreement has been signed with Iceland.

Arming of Merchant Ships
President Roosevelt signed the legislation to repeal the three key sections of the Neutrality Act. The President also requested from Congress a new \$380,050,000 appropriation for the Navy, including \$120,000,000 for "defense installation" on merchant ships. Navy Secretary Knox said the first armed U. S. merchant vessels will be plying the seas within a week. He said ships plying both the Atlantic and Pacific will be armed. The arming of the ships will require three to four months to complete. The Navy will put gun crews of from 12 to 18 men on all ships as fast as they are armed.

The Maritime Commission reported the keels of 21 Liberty ships were laid during the month of October to bring the total to 76. Four of these cargo ships were launched in October, compared with three for September, and three more are scheduled to be launched this month. The Commission added four ships to its six-ship training fleet to help turn out 16,000 trained seamen for the deck, engine and steward's departments during 1942 and 1943.

Maube Next Christmas

by ANNE MARY LAWLER

Installment 1

"Now let me get this straight," Ma Shannon's voice was brisk and businesslike. "This is my last Christmas?"

Young Dr. Monroe reddened with embarrassment. "I'm not doing this at all well," he hesitated, "but—" "Save that bedside manner of yours for the younger women," Ma snapped. "I want the truth."

John Monroe tapped the shabby desk top with nervous fingers. "Well," he said, reluctantly, "you were a doctor's wife. You understand about these things."

"Yes or no?" Ma was relentless. "Yes." Relief and concern sat heavily on the doctor's face. "That heart of yours—you've known for years—even before the Big Doc died you knew that—"

"That it wouldn't last forever. I'm 65. Got to die some time. The question is—how long have I got?" "If you take care of yourself, six months at most."

"I see. And if I don't—sooner?" John Monroe nodded unhappily. "It—only somebody else could have told you, Ma. I—I's as if—"

"But this is definitely my last Christmas?"

"Yes, Ma."

She sighed heavily, rose to her feet. "I—thought as much. Thank you, Johnny."

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"I'm having the children home for Christmas," Ma confided to Dan.

Army Health

The War Department announced the death rate in the Army from disease now is less than one-tenth what it was in 1917-18, and the venereal disease rate is less than half what it was at that time. Chief of Army Morale Osborne said most of the USO buildings will be in use by Christmas. The Army also announced field houses are being built in 37 camps to furnish additional recreational facilities during the winter months.

Civilian Supply

Director of Civilian Supply Henderson announced passenger car production during February, 1942 will be reduced by 56 percent as compared with production in February, 1941—from 396,000 cars to 174,000 cars. An OPM automotive committee recommended the effective date for the order banning bright work from automobiles be postponed from December 15 to December 31. The OPM made tentative allocations of 112 airplanes to U. S. commercial airlines during 1942.

Subcontracting

The Maritime Commission announced that because it started 14 months ago to "farm out" contracts to small manufacturers, it is now receiving machinery and equipment for the emergency ship construction program from 450 concerns in 32 States. The Treasury Department issued a booklet on procedures called "Doing Business with the Procurement Division." Copies are available without charge from the Treasury Procurement Division, Washington, D. C. The Contract Distribution Division opened nine more field offices to bring the total to 66.

Coke and Coal

Fuel Coordinator Ickes reported coke production during the first 10 months of this year was 16 percent greater than during the corresponding period last year. A record production of 65,000,000 tons is indicated for the complete year of 1941. Mr. Ickes also said production of Pennsylvania anthracite coal through October, 1941, was nine percent above the corresponding period of 1940. If the percentage is maintained, he said, total 1941 production will approximate 56,000,000 tons, the largest since 1934.

Newsboys To Sell Defense Stamps

The Treasury Department announced plans have been completed with newspaper circulation managers for 500,000 newspaper carrier-

boys to sell Defense Savings Stamps direct to American homes.

Agriculture

The Department of Agriculture said additional improvement in the demand for farm products is indicated for the next few months as a result of increased consumer incomes and increased Government buying. Farm income from marketings increased 15 percent more than the normal seasonal gain during the period from June to September. The department also reported 10,420,000 persons employed in agriculture as of November 1, the lowest November level since 1925. Secretary Wickard announced establishment of a nation-wide organization of farm and Department workers to make plans for an agriculture post-war program.

WEST GREENWOOD

Bobby and Teddy Raimy of Quincy, Mass., were in town a few days recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Alden Wilson are announcing the birth of a son, Sunday morning. He has been named Stanley Lee. Mrs. Grace Morrill is caring for Mrs. Wilson and baby.

Little Dennis and Gloria Wilson are staying with Mrs. Earl Cummings.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cotton and granddaughters of Mechanic Falls were guests at T. R. Carter's, Sunday.

Albert Cotton of Mechanic Falls, Elfr Gibson and Bruce Bailey of South Portland were callers at T. R. Carter's Sunday.

That Nagging Backache

May Warn of Disordered Kidney Action

Modern life with its hurry and worry, irregular habits, improper eating and drinking—its risk of exposure and infection—throws heavy strain on the work of the kidneys. They are apt to become over-taxed and fail to filter excess acid and other impurities from the life-giving blood.

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Try Doan's Pills. Doan's help the kidneys to pass off harmful excess body waste. They have had more than half a century of public approval. Are recommended by grateful users everywhere. Ask your neighbor!

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Mountain Creek was meeting Christmas more than halfway. Narrow streets were heavily draped with loops of laurel.

Ma Shannon plodded through the crowds, a little dumpy figure in her ancient hat and unfashionable coat.

Two more weeks—so many things yet to be done, so little time left for the doing. Ma straightened her ridiculous hat with determined hands, smiled at the hurried young couple who had jostled her, and turned firmly into Davis' General Emporium and Postoffice.

Dan Davis was behind the counter. Ma was suddenly filled with a fierce delight.

His smile wrinkled a million large freckles. "Hello, young lady," he hailed. "Doing your Christmas shoplifting?"

"I've been walked on by every man, woman and child in Mountain Creek," Ma complained.

"Serves you right for not doing your shopping early."

"I'm a lazy old lady," she admitted shamelessly. She asked for some 3-cent stamps.

"Sounds—" the young voice faltered, "sounds as if you were going to write some letters. Give her my love."

"Sally?" For a sharp second the boy's heart stood naked in his eyes. "Who else but Sally?"

Ma leaned across the battered counter.

"I'm having the young ones home for Christmas," she confided. "Now maybe if you was to come sashay-in' up to the house, by accident—"

"It's a date," the boy grinned.

The letters to her children must be very carefully composed, Ma decided. Just the right amount of lightness—but not too light. They might suspect. Particularly Lydia, Lydia was sharp.

The letter to Lydia first, then. Ma gripped the pen in her work-battered fingers.

"Dear Lydia—" the pen spat.

Lydia was in New York. She was 25, sleek, sophisticated, ambitious. She had studied nursing, grasped stenography and typing and learned to speak two languages in an appallingly short period of time. Now she was secretary-nurse-companion, at a fabulous salary, to a wealthy invalid.

Ma relentlessly drove her pen to lofty flights of rhetoric. "How have you been? It's been pretty warm here for December, but all the local weather prophets are promising a blizzard soon."

Ma frowned. The letter was getting nowhere, so she briskly attacked it from a new angle.

"I am inviting all the children home for Christmas. Christmases get rather precious at my age." No. Ma scratched out the last sentence. Lydia would fathom its wistful transparency.

"I know it's asking a good deal to expect you to come all the way from New York just for a few days, but"—Ma chewed the penholder viciously, "but—Christmas is for family get-togethers, and we've all been separated too long. Take care of yourself and let me know when to expect you. Love, Mother."

Ma reread the letter approvingly. "Brief and to the point," she nodded and essayed her second letter.

"Dear Dr. Shannon"—that should please Kenneth, she thought to herself, a trifle maliciously. Kenneth was something of a stuffed shirt about titles. Odd that she and gentle Christopher Shannon should have produced two such austere and correct children as Lydia and Kenneth.

"I think you've been working too hard. Your letters sound cross and

grumpy. I prescribe a good, old-fashioned Christmas with all the trimmings. Mountain Creek still brags about you. Why not give us a treat? Besides, there'll be roast turkey with chestnut dressing."

"I am writing all the other children and it will be just like the old days again. Don't say you're too busy. Even doctors have to stop now and then. Love to Phyllis and kiss the baby for me. Mother."

Kenneth was the successful Shannon. He had inherited his father's deft fingers and observant eyes. It was as natural that he would turn to medicine as rivers turn toward the sea.

"I'm not throwing myself away on a dump like Mountain Creek the way Dad did," he had announced. "No horse and buggy for me. No, nor calls at midnight to deliver children to people who haven't paid for the last litter. If Dad had collected a quarter of his fees we could all retire and live on the income."

Kenneth had gone to Chicago. His assured manner and classic profile had neatly supplemented a natural talent for medicine. And his marriage to the socially prominent daughter of the head of Chicago's Central Clinic had not hampered his progress.

Kenneth at 39 was wealthy, successful, assured. "Ma was a trifle in awe of her firstborn. She turned hastily to her third letter.

"Dear Robert: I am expecting you home for Christmas." No delicate prelude to her younger son's letter. Robert was a writer, the least aggressive of the Shannons. Ma suspected there were many days when Robert's meals were something short of lavish, when his socks were undarned and his suits unpressed. Robert had migrated to Baltimore and entombed himself in a boarding house to write the great American novel.

"I am sending you a little money. I know I have no right to ask you to make the trip at your own expense. Baltimore to Mountain Creek is a long way. I have written all the children to come home. It will be like old times."

Ma clutched the pen with unsteady fingers. Ah, the sharp stabbing pain in her breast! It beat a steady rhythm in her blood: "Last Christmas—last Christmas—last Christmas—"

"Bring your novel home with you. I want you to read it to me. I am so proud of you and know it will be a great success." Flattery, gross and heavy, but the weak must be flattered and petted and coaxed. "I read the poem in the little magazine you sent me. It was lovely. If only your father were alive to see it. Most of Mountain Creek asks for you. Nothing much new. I am knitting you a nice warm sweater—blue—you always liked blue. Love, Mother."

Ma's breath labored in short panting gasps. She was tired. The nagging pain gave her no rest. But there was still one more letter to be written. She dipped the pen into the chipped inkwell and carefully traced:

"Dear Sally: Sally's letter must be gay and frivolous and inconsequential. Ma felt anything but gay and frivolous. "Come home. All is forgiven. What has Hollywood to offer that Mountain Creek can't beat? Besides, we're having a Christmas turkey with chestnut stuffing. And glibet gravy. And hot mince pie with hard sauce. From what I read in the magazines nobody in Hollywood eats anything but sawdust and skim milk. But I still make Christmas cookies the way I used to and the mail where you always hung your stocking is still over

the fireplace. I've written Lydia and Robert and Kenneth and it seems to be a regular family reunion. I saw the picture with you in."

Davis took me. We had to go through it twice because we missed you the first time. It was sort of hard picking you out in that mob scene, but you looked beautiful. I will be looking forward to an old-fashioned family Christmas. Your father always said—"that Christmas was invented so people who loved each other could be together. Dan sends his love. So do I. Mummy."

Pretty, petted, spoiled, Sally, with her candid blue eyes and her riotous blonde curls and her overweening ambition to be an actress.

"She can't act worth a penny," was Ma's inward comment, recalling a succession of high school plays. "But she's so easy to look at. Maybe that's all Hollywood needs."

She stamped her letters thoughtfully. For a short while the irritating pain ceased. Ma chuckled. "Doctors are sometimes wrong," she consoled herself. "Maybe I'll fool Johnny Sawbones yet. Maybe next Christmas—" but she knew it was only bravado. "Maybe next Christmas—"

Lydia Shannon carefully arranged the morning mail.

A few personal letters for "Eve Wainwright. Lydia would open them later, read them to the invalid in her quiet, sympathetic voice.

Carter Wainwright's mail she laid carefully next to his plate. The one on top—the heavy flecked polo cloth—scrawled in large and arrogant script, that would be from Margot Haines. Lydia's fine mouth thinned sharply. If Margot Haines cherished the delusion that Carter Wainwright might make an acceptable husband, she was mistaken. Margot's matrimonial ventures were numerous and publicized, and Margot was beautiful and fascinating—but there was Lydia. And Lydia had long ago decided elderly and wealthy Carter Wainwright was her own private property.

The invalid upstairs had a limited lease on living, and Lydia was both patient and clever.

She rang for the quiet Jap, gave him orders in her low, businesslike voice.

Kato's eyes were beadily emotionless. He padded from the room without a sound, and Lydia at last turned to her own mail, three letters impatiently craving her attention. She fingered them lightly. A heavy crested envelope postmarked "Monte Carlo." That would be the charming and impecunious young Duke she had met last September.

The second letter was a chilling lack of personality. It was postmarked "Baltimore." Lydia frowned, Robert again, and very likely begging for more money.

The third letter was shabby, untidy and unassuming. It bore the legend, "Mountain Creek."

Lydia carefully slit the communication from Monte Carlo, read it through with amusement. Nikki was a dear.

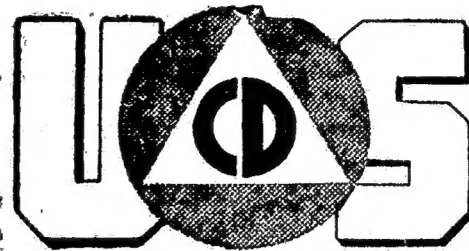
The second letter was short and blunt. Yes, Robert wanted money. With characteristic lack of finesse he stated his problem starkly in the first crowded paragraph. "I'm invited to the Christmas banquet of the Writers Club. I can't afford not to go. Perry Boyle will be there. He's the publisher, you know. It's formal and I've got to get a dinner jacket. If Boyle notices me my novel has a chance."

Lydia tossed the letter aside. Robert's petulant problems always upset her.

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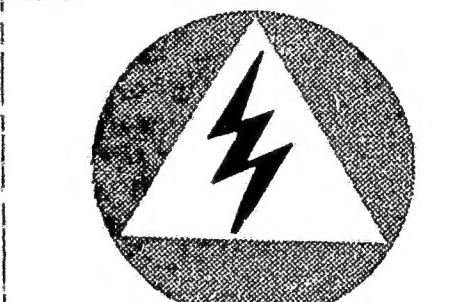
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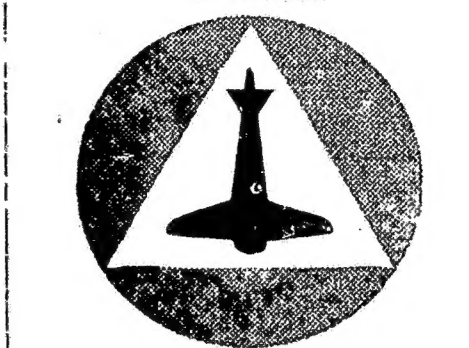


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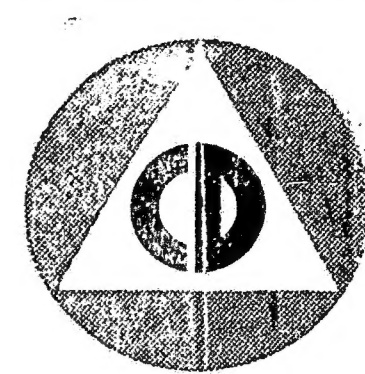
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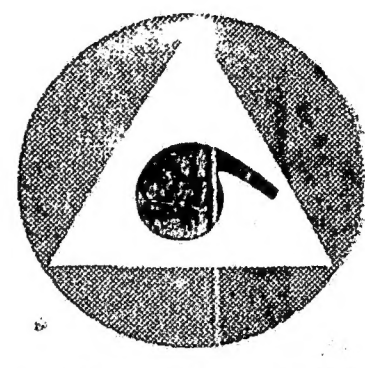
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HOLT-TRUE

The First Parish Church of Concord, Mass., was the scene on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 26, of the marriage of Miss Anna Milnes True, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Payson True, to John Edward Holt, son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Holt of Bethel, Me. The ceremony was at four o'clock with the Rev. Edward Perry Daniels officiating. White chrysanthemums, white pom-poms and autumn leaves decorated the church while white pom-poms, huckleberry and other autumn leaves were used in the church parlors for the reception.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white satin with lace inserts, fastened with long sleeves and train,

her finger-tip veil of silk tulle edged with lace was held in place by orange blossoms and she carried a shower bouquet of white carnations and button chrysanthemums. She was attended by Mrs. Hermon G. Wilson of Troy, N. Y., roommate at Green Mountain Junior College, a member of honor; Miss Thelma True a sister; Miss Helen L. Vanderhoof, Miss Barbara B. Loughlin and Miss Barbara J. Christenson as bridesmaids.

The matron of honor was gowned in pink brocaded satin trimmed with blue velvet ribbon. The bridesmaid wore the same model with colors reversed and all wore pearl tresses and carried bouquets of pink roses.

Mrs. True wore a gown of blue velvet with hat of wine color and

a corsage of gardenias. Raymond W. Holt of Bethel, was best man for his brother. Another brother, Francis G. Holt of Bethel, Rudolph S. Dietrich and Malcolm J. Ruhl, both of Andover, Mass., and Herman G. Wilson of Troy, N. Y., served as ushers. Mr. and Mrs. Holt are taking a motor trip during the remainder of his furlough from Camp Hulen, Tex., where he is a corporal in the 211th Coast Artillery, A. A. (Concord Mass. newspaper).



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FOR SALE—1932 Pontiac Coach. Cheap for cash. JOSEPH PERRY, West Bethel, Maine. 48p

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MISCELLANEOUS

FIREARMS, AMMUNITION and Trappers' Supplies bought, sold and exchanged. Before prices advance purchase from H. L. BEAN, Bethel, Me., dealer in Raw Furs and Deer Skins. 24c.

DEFENSE BOND QUIZ

Q. What simple and satisfactory way is provided for all of us to express our gratitude for being Americans?

A. The means is the purchase of Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps—available to almost every man, woman and child. Ownership of even a 10-cent Stamp carries the satisfaction of knowing you have helped the nation to arm.

Q. What denominations of Defense Savings Stamps are on sale at retail stores?

A. Stores are concentrating on selling 10-cent and 25-cent Stamps, in order to get a maximum number of customers to participate in the Defense Savings Program. Many stores also carry 50-cent, \$1, and \$5 Stamps. Stamps of all denominations may be purchased at post offices.

NOTE: To buy Defense Bonds and Stamps, go to the nearest post office, bank or savings and loan association, or write to the Treasurer of the United States, Washington D. C. Also Stamps are now on sale at most retail stores.

Friends of Miss Virginia Walcott, a former teacher in the Bethel town schools, are greatly saddened to hear of the death of her brother, Irving, of Mechanic Falls, which occurred Tuesday evening following an operation for appendicitis on Thanksgiving day at the C. M. O. Hospital, Lewiston.

GOULD ACADEMY . . .

Some members of the winter sports team had their first "feel" of skiing this week. They practiced cross-country running on the athletic field.

The Senior Class met as a group Tuesday to view photographic work of a Portland studio.

The new basketball floor in the Farnsworth House has been completed. The finish is now being applied to the surface and will be ready for use next Monday. At the present time the boys' basketball team is practicing in the William Bingham Gymnasium.

Elwood Ireland, the headmaster, was present at a meeting of the winter sports' committee of the Maine Principals' Association which was held in Augusta, Monday, at which time Gould Academy's invitation to hold Maine's Interscholastic Ski Meet was granted for February 7 and 8.

WEST BETHEL

Thaddeus Luxton had the misfortune to cut his foot quite badly necessitating several stitches last week. Mrs. Luxton is confined to her home by illness.

Arthur Googan of Ridgelyville was a visitor in town, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rolfe were in Lisbon Falls, Sunday, calling on relatives.

Fred Lovejoy has been confined to the house by illness the past two weeks.

Rev. Don Fife of Boston University spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Burris and family.

Mrs. Katherine Wilson has gone to Shelburne, N. H., to spend some time with her daughter.

Rev. Orrin Mansfield, a former pastor at the Union Church, was in town, Friday, calling on friends.

Little Dorothy Jean Morgan is ill and unable to attend school.

CENTER LOVELL

Gus Helm has moved his family to Gorham, N. H., where he has work. Don Pulkkinen and family have moved to Harrison and he is working in a garage. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Eastman and son have moved into the house vacated by the Pulkkinens on Shave Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Russell of Winchester, Mass., were at his uncle's, Benjamin Russell's, Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McKeen, Mr. and Mrs. Burton Stearns and two children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rodolph McAllister, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nell McAllister have moved to the Reid Andrews place on Shave Hill.

Jim Wilson of Chicago, Ill., is at Eastman Hill for a time. Louise Allen and Cora LeGalee are doing the work.

Mrs. Mary Smith and son were holiday and week-end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Farwell, at East Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Davis entertained at Thanksgiving dinner, Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Davis and Lewis Davis and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Charles of Reading, Mass., and Freeman Waterman and friend of Portland have been recent guests at L. C. Sawyer's.

George Theriult has bought a house at North Lovell and moved his family there.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Milliken had her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, for guests Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Vance of Bridgton called at W. B. McKeen's Thursday.

Fred Stearns has finished work at "The Lodge" for Rudy Vallee, and is working in Portland. Mrs. Stearns and baby are visiting relatives in Bridgton for a few weeks, and will join him later.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to our friends and neighbors for the kind expressions of sympathy and floral tributes at the time of our bereavement.

Mrs. Jennie M. Littlehale
Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Littlehale
Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Littlehale
Frank L. Littlehale

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Herbert T. Wallace, Minister

Sunday, Nov. 30

9.30 a. m. Sunday School.

11.00 a. m. Morning worship

Sermon subject, "A Lamp Unto My Feet."

6.30 p. m. Pilgrim Fellowship.

The annual Christmas Fair and supper of the Ladies' Club and Junior Guild will be held this year on Thursday, Dec. 4th. Keep the date free.

METHODIST CHURCH

M. A. Gordon, pastor

9.45 Church School. Mrs. Leona Swan, supt. Classes for all.

11.00 Sunday morning worship.

Special singing by Church Choir.

Mrs. Mildred Lyon, director. Subject of sermon, "Town Talk."

6.30 Epworth League.

7.30 Evening Service. "A Prayer for Peace." Hymns, poems, verses of the Bible. Subject, "Will Christ Come Again?"

And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Phil. 2: 8.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Sunday School at 10 o'clock.

Services Sunday morning at 10.45.

"Ancient and modern necromancy, alias mesmerism and hypnotism, denounced" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon that will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, Nov. 30.

LOCKE MILLS CHURCH

Pastor—Mrs. Abbie Norton

S. School at 10.30 a. m. Supt. Carl Lapham. Special music. Classes for all.

Regular Service of Worship Sunday evening. Hour 7.30 sharp. Closes promptly at 8 p. m. It is expected that the Bryant Pond Young People will put on a program of music, and an inspiring message by Thelma MacKillop of Gordon College. The group will be directed by their pastor, Rev. James MacKillop.

BIRTHS

At Berlin, N. H., Nov. 21, to the wife of William C. Chapman of Bethel, a daughter, Betsy.

At Greenwood, Nov. 23, to the wife of Alden Wilson a son, Stanley Lee.

MARRIAGES

At Portland Nov. 23, by Rev. Victor M. Regan, Miss Dorothy Mary Keddy of Portland, formerly of Bethel, and Lincoln Thurston Small of Portland.

At Rumford, Nov. 22, by Rev. Father Obokus, Miss Marjorie L. Fish of Bethel and Eugene P. Pulla of Rumford.

DEATHS

At Albany, Nov. 21, Manville Hatstat, aged 17 years.

At South Paris, Nov. 22, Myron W. Maxim, aged 79 years.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK

Myron Littlehale of Holyoke, Mass., spent the holiday and week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Littlehale.

Charlie Brooks, who has made his home at Bryant Pond for several months, is working for Alva Hendrickson.

Mrs. Jessie Andrews, Mrs. Annie Davis, Miss Agnes Guy and Mrs. Eva Titus of South Paris were at Portland on Saturday and visited Mrs. Zedie Barrett.

George Waterhouse and William Strout each shot a very nice deer last week.

About two inches of snow fell here Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Lapham of Bethel were Friday afternoon callers of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Russ.

SCHOOL SAVINGS BANK

Week of Nov. 24

Grade Savings Bank Total PerCent

I \$3.15 43

II 2.15 61

III 1.00 2.80 67

IV 3.25 70

V 1.00 11.25

VI 1.00 2.60 41

VII 4.00 2.40 73

VIII 1.00 2.95 85

IX 1.00 3.30 88

X 1.00 11.25

Fourth and Sixth Grades have banners.

OXFORD COUNTY UNITED PARISH NEWS NOTES

Like Paul, who was all things to all men, the Parish has just come through a double Thanksgiving. Special programs were used throughout the Parish. The United Parish Pilgrim Fellowship enjoyed a good Thanksgiving party last Saturday evening. Last Sunday after Church the Center Lovell Church people remained after the morning service for their second annual Church Thanksgiving dinner. "A good time was had by all" and another is being looked forward to next year. Monday evening the Outing Club met at the camp of Frank Pike for a social evening.

Coming events: Friday evening in Center Lovell, 7-8 o'clock, Choir, Trustees and Finance Committee, 8 o'clock and on, Cabinet meeting. Sunday, the 30th, is the first Sunday in Advent. Here we celebrate the coming of the Light that lighteth every man coming into the world. The season well follows that of Thanksgiving. We are thankful that "The light is still shining in the darkness, for the darkness has never put it out" (John 1: 9). Amidst events that dismay and confuse we take our bearings from the Star in the East.

Monday evening, Dec. 1, is the date for the Waterford Men's Club. Tuesday, the 2nd, is the date scheduled for a North Waterford Circle also the fourth of the North Lovell services. On Wednesday, the 3rd, the Lovell Y. A. meet at the Church Vestry. Toys will be repaired and this will be followed by a social hour. Advance notice: another Pilgrim Fellowship party is coming Saturday evening, Dec. 6.

SMALL—KEDDY

(Portland Evening Express)

Miss Dorothy Mary Keddy wore a gown of ivory slipper satin, made princess style and pearl trimmed, with finger tip veil arranged halo fashion, when she became the bride of Lincoln Thurston Small, Sunday afternoon in Trinity Episcopal Church. She carried a bouquet of white pompons tied with blue ribbons. Miss Alice E. Mottram, maid of honor, wore a gown of blue taffeta, with matching hat and accessories. She carried bronze pompons. Janet Dennison of Melrose, Mass., niece of the bridegroom, wore a floor length frock of dusty rose taffeta and carried a basket of vari-colored flowers. Clayton B. Clark attended Mr. Small at best man. The ushers were

James B. Dennison of Melrose, Mass., and Royden Keddy of Somerville, Mass.

The Rev. Victor M. Regan officiated. The wedding music was played by Kenneth Estes and Ronald H. Keddy of Somerville, Mass., gave his sister in marriage.

Following a short motor trip Mr. and Mrs. Small will reside at 51 Park Street. For traveling Mrs. Small wore an ensemble of grey and black.

Mr. Small, son of Mrs. Ernest L. Small of Pleasant Avenue, is engaged in the contracting business here. Mrs. Small is the daughter of Mrs. Margaret M. Keddy of Emery Street (formerly of Bethel).

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